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JOHNSTON LETTER.

Mr. Joe Jacobs, Brilliant Young Johnstonian, Elected Teacher of Eighth Grade in High School.

On Friday evening from 6 to 7 o'clock a very large and brilliant reception was enjoyed in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Crouch, the occasion being given in compliment to Miss Minnie Craig Taylor, of Camden, who is the guest of their daughter, Miss Elise Crouch. The scene within was beautiful to behold. The elegant home was decorated in tall palms and out flowers, the colors, pink and green, predominating in each room, and the electric lights were shaded in these colors and cast a soft glow over the receiving line. They were Misses Elise Crouch, Minnie Craig Taylor, Maud Sawyer and Mesdames Bartow Walsh and W. B. Ouzts and they wore handsome evening costumes. As the guests entered they were received by Mrs. Crouch and Mrs. Taylor Goodwyn, and Miss Zena Payne carried them into the library where punch was being served by Mesdames Des-nure Hogan and O. D. Black. They were introduced to the receiving line by Mrs. F. M. Boyd and passed from the parlor to the dining room where pink and green block cream, with cake, was served by Misses Maud Nickerson and Marion Mobley. The dining table was covered in a lace cloth and pink and green tulle with Maman Cochet roses formed the chief decorations. The favors were pink rose buds, tied with green ribbons, and were pinned on by Miss Flora Kenny. The guests were escorted from here out on the lawn by Mrs. J. W. Marsh and Miss Lylie LaGrone and fruit nectar was served them by Misses Annie Crouch and Eula Satcher. During the time about 100 friends enjoyed the evening's pleasures.

Dr. B. L. Allen, who was operated on for appendicitis in the Augusta hospital is improving, and it is hoped that he will soon be able to return to his home.

A call has been extended to Rev. King, of Richmond, by the Baptist church which pulpit he is now supplying for two months.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Toney gave a picnic to a number of their friends on Friday at Smith's pond, in honor of their house guests, Capt. and Mrs. Thurston True and family.

Mrs. Missouri Lott spent the week here with the family of her son, Mr. A. P. Lott.

Miss Laura Swearingen has returned from a month's stay in Atlanta, with her grandmother, Mrs. Fannie Boatwright.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilliary Grant are at home from a visit to the latter's parents at Mullins.

Mr. Joe Jacobs has been elected to fill the vacancy in the 8th grade of the High School, Miss Baker having resigned. Mr. Jacobs is one of the towns most intellectual young gentlemen, having finished with honors at the Citadel in June.

Mrs. F. M. Boyd is visiting her mother, Mrs. Stewart in Chester.

Mr. P. N. Lott is spending a few weeks in the upper part of the state conducting a Farmers' Institute at the various points.

Mrs. W. C. Templeton, of Charleston, is a visitor at the home of her brother, Mr. Herbert Eidson.

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Mrs. T. R. Denny gave a reception Thursday afternoon from 6 to 7 o'clock, the occasion being in honor of Mr. and Mrs. McGarity, who are visiting in her home. Their marriage was a social event of last month, and it was a great pleasure to all to meet with them again, the bride being one of the towns most lovable girls, Miss Ruth Shaw. She wore her wedding dress of white chiffon and lace. The hostess, the honorees and Miss Antoinette Denny stood in the receiving line, and the guests were welcomed by Mesdames Bartow Walsh and J. L. Walker. After short pleasanties they were ushered into the dining room by Misses Lylie LaGrone and Ola Smith where an ice course was

served. Fruit nectar was served out on the veranda and the table was garlanded in purple and white grapes. Later on in the evening from 8:30 to 10:30 Capt. and Mrs. Denny again entertained for their guests, those present being the married friends, and all enjoyed the time spent with them. A delightful repast was served.

On Tuesday evening Miss Winifred Pedrick, of Gainesville, Fla., and Mrs. J. W. Wilson, of Spartanburg, were honorees of a delightful affair given by Miss Pet LaGrone, being assisted by her sister, Miss Lylie LaGrone. The hours were characterized by brightness and beauty, and the diversion of the evening was very unique, the first being a conversational ball. Several numbers of music were played by Mrs. Wilson and as each piece was started, the engaged partner for that number was sought out and the allotted time spent in conversation. A woodland romance arranged in dainty booklet form, was also enjoyed. Punch was served during the time and refreshments concluded the evening's pleasure.

Mr. Joe Jacobs, Sr., left this week for Mexico where he will remain for some time hoping that the change of climate will prove beneficial.

Mrs. W. R. Eidson gave a very pleasant afternoon party on Wednesday for her friend, Mrs. Harrigal, of Augusta, and about 25 friends enjoyed her hospitality. Mesdames F. L. Parker and Annie P. Lewis assisted Mrs. Eidson and a part of the time was spent with progressive anagrams. Frozen peaches and cake followed by mints, were enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Jenkins, of Vidalia, Ga., have been guests in the home of Mr. G. G. Waters.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Sawyer gave a dining on Wednesday for 12 of their young lady friends, the guest of honor being Miss Cooner, of Greenwood.

Mrs. Horace Wright, of Georgetown, is the guest of relatives here.

May Be No Election.

Florence, Aug. 4.—It is doubtful if Florence will hold an election on the issue of bonds to-day, the managers of only three boxes in the county having appeared to call for tickets. The sentiment in the county where the bond issue would do the greatest good, seems to be against the issue.

Some Funeral This.

Tower City, Pa., Aug. 4.—There are not enough hearses in the Williams valley to accommodate the funerals of victims of the East Brookside mine disaster in which 19 lives were lost Saturday and two trips to and from the church to the cemetery will be necessary to-day when six foreign workmen are buried with one mass for all.

On yesterday Daniel McGity, Henry Murphy and John Frelt were buried. Superintendent John Lorenz was buried to-day in Louisville.

The bodies of Daniel Farly and John Fessier have not been recovered. Officials admit there is no possibility of their being alive.

Night and day searches have gone through every part of the mine in an endeavor to find them and they have now concluded that the two were buried under the extensive fall of roof in the gangway near the tunnel in which the first explosion occurred. They may be reached to-night or perps not for a week.

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Marion's Police Department Arrests 25 Alleged Dispensary Law Offenders.

Marion, Aug. 4.—Marion's police department became active in the wee small hours of this morning and arrested 25 alleged dispensary offenders. The raid was the outcome of the work of two detectives who had been secured by the city authorities and who have been here for several weeks quietly working up their case. There were some white and some negroes among the alleged offenders and both sexes were represented. Eight were able to give bond and the other 17 were carried to jail. Mayor Baker's court was a crowded and active one this morning and all pleaded guilty without going to trial. Sentence has been reserved all until the trials are finished.

Result of Target Shooting of Last Friday Afternoon.

J. W. Stewart	15
S. E. Morgan	23
O. P. Bright	18
A. H. Corley	1
H. A. Smith	18

More About Gettysburg.

Editor The Advertiser:—It may be that I will give your readers skimmed milk in this letter, but that will be good for the nerves. After this letter the curtain will fall, and I will let the little city quietly sleep midst the everlasting hills that once shook with the roar of conflict between two great armies. The third day of the greatest reunion the world has ever known, sixty thousand old soldiers, brave and true in a fraternal grasp, in embrace, in a God bless you! the picture of the greatest artist, the pen of the greatest writer, the tongue of the most gifted orator, would be as powerless to describe it as it would be to paint the rainbow or add fragrance to the flower. The fraternal feeling was so great that the soldiers cared for but little oratory or parade. Two things were apparent: the North came down to mingle with the South and to hear this universal expression: "Look at their camps, their splendid uniforms, their military bearing, their love for the American flag." The two armies had a love feast that was real and grand. We are citizens of the greatest country on earth, united as never before in the history of the republic. The South is better, the North is better, the nation is stronger.

I stood on Cemetery Ridge and saw the survivors of Pickett's old command march over the same valley of death, where they once left so many of their comrades just fifty years ago that day. The fated hour was 3 p. m. The same starting point, the same objective point, a clump of trees where they broke through the lines only to perish or surrender, where it is said a captain of a battery commanded his men to give them grape and cannister without fuse. Spartans of America, steel clashing steel, and at last the victor tires at the gore where victory was so nearly won, and says grape and cannister without fuse. On the 4th of July President Wilson spoke to an immense throng, just fifteen minutes. He has a voice to charm, a face to inspire, a smile to appease. He is a great president of a great people.

Think of a government feeding 60,000 old veterans on chicken, ice cream and various other tempting good things.

I went over the field where General Reynolds was killed, and then to the battle lines from Cemetery Ridge to Spangler's Spring. This was on the Confederates' left where the wounded and famishing of both armies crawled together and drank water, thence along Culp's Hill where whole trees were shot down with cannon and musket balls. There is hardly a tree between the battle lines that is not scarred and knotty from being shot. The statue of John Burns, a citizen of Gettysburg, stands on the field. He gathered his rifle and asked permission to fight in the ranks, and was killed, which showed the spirit of the American citizen.

The Bloody Angle, the objective point of Pickett's charge, Little Round Top, Big Round Top, the Devil's Den, the Peach Orchard, the Valley of Death, where the markers indicating the position of the Confederate forces, make the field of wonderful importance. The statue of Miss Jennie Wade stands in the front yard of her home. She was killed by a Confederate soldier while working up dough. She was in a small brick house, the front door was closed, and the federals were in the cellar shooting at the Confederates 255 yards off in the open. The sharpshooters were shooting at the house, a ball passed through two large doors, striking the lady below the hips coming out at the throat. I notice a paper of West Virginia that made it read, "Miss Jennie Wade was killed by a Confederate," saying nothing about a lot of federals in the cellar shooting through a porthole, and the other fellow in the open.

J. Russell Wright.

Farmers' Union Marketing Plans Accepted by Wells Fargo Express Company.

Fort Worth, Texas.—Mr. Peter Radford, president of the Texas Farmers' Union, announced from the headquarters of the organization in this city to-day that he had just succeeded in arranging with the Wells Fargo & Company Express to act as intermediary between the shipper and buyer in the sale of farm produce. The plan which has been worked out by the Executive Committee of the Farmers' Union and accepted by the Wells Fargo Company, contemplates that the Express Company, through its agents, will accept from housewives and dealers in cities, a continuous order of country produce, shipment to be made daily or at periods specified by the buyer. These orders will be turned over to the Texas farmer to fill.

The Express Company will encourage the movement of the business and special packages will be constructed with compartments for eggs, butter, vegetables, fruit, etc., to accommodate the trade so that the farmer can keep his customer supplied with a variety of seasonable produce.

The Wells Fargo people will also keep the producer advised of market conditions in the larger cities and by free distribution of dependable information, hope to take out much of the friction and misunderstanding now existing between the shipper and the dealer and to prevent glittering one market and starving another.

It has long been the custom for speakers and writers to graphically measure the distance from the farm to the table, but this is perhaps the first instance where a comprehensive and capable route to shorten it has been surveyed and opened up. As the movement develops, President Radford thinks it will be adopted by other carriers and the territory extended throughout the United States.

A New Roadway of Trade.

When asked for his views on the effect of the plan upon distribution, President Radford: "We are blazing a new roadway of national trade and it is going to take co-operation and patience on the part of both the producer and consumer in smoothing out the rough places, but I have abiding faith in the ultimate success of the movement. The new situation lends itself admirably to settlement organizations of consumers that can place a community order with a local Farmers' Union to fill. The Farmers' Union has asked the Federal Department of Agriculture to put one or more experts on the project with a view of strengthening the weak points as they develop and to work out plans for extending the new system of marketing into the staple products and apply it to all lines of transportation.

The only line of industry that has ever been successfully and constructively regulated is the common carrier. If we can make them the agency between the producer and consumer, then we will have a regulated highway of commerce where the article can safely travel without danger of being burglarized on the roadways of trade.

Middleman Needs Regulating.

The Farmers' Union has long cherished the hope of bringing the producer and consumer nearer together. The middleman is nothing more than a farm hand, but he is able to fix his own wages and collect them, and to multiply his transactions as he pleases. He is, at best, an independent and oftentimes incompetent servant of agriculture and frequently deserves to be either disciplined or discharged. The middlemen are without competition or government supervision. They need regulating as badly as the common carrier and the plan affords facilities for a competitive system of marketing which will act as a check against the greed of the middleman, a leverage against combinations and will have a tendency to avoid gluts on the market.

The new plan is not without its compensation to the middleman. While reducing him to his natural position as an industrial domestic, it will restore to him many profitable advantages which he has forfeited for power. It will take out waste, uncertainty and inefficiency

and will add volume, stability and conscience to the business. Railroads Should Have a Market Bureau.

I am hoping that the railroads will also put on a market bureau. Railroads have been plowing, so to speak, for several years and it is easy to understand their intense interest in increasing the tonnage and the same reasons apply to merchants, manufacturers and business interests generally, but bumper crops without market facilities have sent more farmers staggering down the back alleys of agriculture than all the pests and gronths that ever cursed this Nation. Certainly a freight solicitor could offer no greater inducement to a farmer than a profitable sale of the products and indeed the railroad can give no greater encouragement to the producer than top prices for things he can raise. The railroads will find that one good salesman in the market will do more to stimulate production than a dozen professors in the field. The railroads can give agriculture no more serious blow than to dump the farmers' crop at destination, which is frequently done.

Wells Fargo & Company Confirm.

In a long distance conversation with C. W. Simpson, Industrial Agent of the Wells Fargo & Company with headquarters at Houston and having jurisdiction over the Southern and Western divisions of the Company, the statement relating to the action of the Wells Fargo Company was verified. Mr. Simpson said: "I have just returned from New York where I attended a six weeks conference of representatives of the Industrial Department of the Company held with President D. B. Caldwell, for the purpose of going fully into the details of the plans submitted by Mr. Radford."

The Wells Fargo & Company will issue a statement to the public at an early date outlining the plan in detail.

Mosquito Prevention in Brief.

Malaria is caused by the anopheles mosquito, which sucks from the blood of the person having malaria the parasite which causes the disease, and injects the parasite, somewhat changed, into the body of the well person. The familiar symptoms of malaria result and are due to the presence of the parasite in the blood.

No other mosquito but the anopheles is responsible for malaria. "Miasm," and bad water play no part in spreading diseases. The mosquito, which is the only "host" of malaria, breeds in stagnant water, where its eggs develop in two weeks at most. Mosquitoes will not breed until they have sucked blood, and the female alone bites.

Drain all low grounds, that stagnant water may not remain.

Supply large, slow-moving streams with fish, which will destroy the mosquito.

Once every two weeks spray with coal oil. Stagnant standing water cannot be drained or stocked with fish.

Remove all tin cans, bottles, etc., from the premises; screen all cesspools and rain barrels; fill all depressions on the premises.

See that the house gutter does not sag or hold stagnant water.

Screen your windows and doors with sixteen-mesh wire or with bobinet.

If these remedies will not keep mosquitoes from breeding and from entering your house, take quinine regularly during the mosquito season.—Virginia Health Bulletin.

Strengthen Weak Kidneys.

Don't suffer longer with weak kidneys. You can get prompt relief by taking Electric Bitters, that wonderful remedy praised by women everywhere. Start with a bottle to-day, you will soon feel like a new woman with ambition to work, without fear of pain. Mr. John Dowling of San Francisco writes:—Gratitude for the wonderful effect of electric bitters prompts me to write. It cured my wife when all else failed." Good for the liver as well. Nothing better for indigestion or biliousness. Price 50c. and \$1.00, at Penn & Holstein's and W. E. Lynch & Co.

Owning the Home.

A blessing it is to have a real home, and a greater blessing to own one's home. Thousands of families in the State have no home that they call their own. They live in houses that belong to some one else. They cultivate land that belongs to some one else. They have no fixed place of abode. Is it not a wonder that they can call their souls their own? When so much, too, depends upon environment, what chance have the children for the rich childhood which makes ready for a well-rounded citizenship? These matters are the concern of every good man and woman; but especially are they vitally of interest at this time to all who will take part in the Conference for the Common Good. If it is possible, all in the conference would secure a home, owned at home, to all workers who are not at home in the houses in which they are dwelling, but who are only existing in a place more or less limited in extent. To the children, shall the spot of ground upon which they are making frog houses and baking mud pies remain as their little world of love—they can know no other except vaguely just now—or as a world owned by outsiders prone to swoop down and dispossess them?

Homes, child welfare, citizenship—these will be considered at the conference. A plan will be discussed for helping mill workers to purchase homes, and for tenant farmers to acquire the land they cultivate. Education, attendance, health and child labor are down as topics upon which practical educators and others will speak. Nor will other momentous problems of citizenship be neglected.

Every landlord and every tenant in South Carolina should read Hamlin Garland's "Under the Lion's Paw," in his book of stories entitled, "Main Traveled Roads." With a short term lease and a vague promise to sell at a price from his landlord as security, the tenant toils miserably, heroically, triumphantly at last, and seeks then to buy the land he has made profitable: he finds the price doubled as the result of his toil. He finally buys the land, and says to the landlord words that should not be said in South Carolina. In a case of this kind can the individual take care of himself? It is a matter of the Common Good. Landlords and tenants can get valuable assistance in their problems and be mutually benefitted if they will attend the Conference for the Common Good. At this meeting, W. W. Long will show the relationship between farm ownership and good farming; Dr. E. A. Hines, of Seneca will speak on home ownership and health; Rev. E. O. Watson and Supt. J. E. Carroll will show the effects of home ownership in a mill village.

These are but a part of the problems, vitally affecting the welfare of every human being in the State which will be taken up for solution or amelioration of evils when the Conference meets in Columbia, August 6-7. In the program ample time has been allowed for discussions. All in attendance are invited and solicited to speak, vent, or promulgate their ideas and to swap all unexpressed views with their neighbors. Leaders in the movement regard this feature of free interchange of opinions as perhaps the best part of the program.

W. K. Tate.

Woman's Place.

Woman's place may be a home, but judging from recent statistics, she seems to have deliberately ignored that fact, for there are:

239,077 stenographers.
327,635 teachers and professors.
481,169 in various trades.
770,055 engaged in agricultural pursuits.
7,356 physicians and surgeons.
7,395 clergy "men."
2,193 journalists.
1,037 designers, draughtsmen and architects.
1,010 lawyers.
429,497 women in various professions.

Two cars of wagons just unloaded—one car of Hackney wagons and one car of White Hickory wagons. Call on us when you need a wagon.

Ramey & Jones.